

Appendix A
Claim Amendments

1. (Currently amended) ~~Medicament containing~~ A pharmaceutical composition comprising the active compound ciclesonide or a solvate, epimer, physiologically functional derivative or solvate of a physiologically functional derivative thereof; and the active compound R,R-formoterol or a hydrate, solvate, salt, hydrate of a salt or solvate of a salt thereof, in a fixed or free combination.

2. (Currently amended) ~~Medicament for the treatment of airway diseases, containing~~ A pharmaceutical composition comprising the active compound ciclesonide or a solvate, epimer, physiologically functional derivative or solvate of a physiologically functional derivative thereof; and the active compound R,R-formoterol or a hydrate, solvate, salt, hydrate of a salt or solvate of a salt thereof, in fixed or free combination and together with a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient or vehicle ~~usual~~ excipients or vehicles in an administration form suitable for inhalative administration by means of a powder inhaler.

3. (Currently amended) ~~Medicament~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 2, characterized in that wherein the active compound ciclesonide or a solvate, epimer, physiologically functional derivative or solvate of a physiologically functional derivative thereof and

the active compound R,R-formoterol or a hydrate, solvate, salt, hydrate of a salt or solvate of a salt thereof, are present ready mixed in a fixed combination.

4. (Currently amended) ~~Medicament~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 3, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein lactose is present as an excipient or vehicle.

5. (Currently amended) ~~Medicament~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the active compound ciclesonide or a solvate, epimer, physiologically functional derivative or solvate of a physiologically functional derivative thereof and the active compound R,R-formoterol or a hydrate, solvate, salt, hydrate of a salt or solvate of a salt thereof, are present in separate pack units, ~~it being~~ wherein it is possible to take out the active compound ciclesonide or a solvate, epimer, physiologically functional derivative or solvate of a physiologically functional derivative thereof and the active compound R,R-formoterol or a hydrate, solvate, salt, hydrate of a salt or solvate of a salt thereof, from the separate pack units such that they are available for simultaneous inhalative administration.

5. (Currently amended) ~~Medicament~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the active compound ciclesonide or a solvate, epimer, physiologically functional derivative or solvate of a physiologically functional derivative thereof and the active compound R,R-formoterol or a hydrate,

solvate, salt, hydrate of a salt or solvate of a salt thereof, are present in separate pack units, wherein it is possible to take out the active compound ciclesonide or a solvate, epimer, physiologically functional derivative or solvate of a physiologically functional derivative thereof and the active compound R,R-formoterol or a hydrate, solvate, salt, hydrate of a salt or solvate of a salt thereof, being taken out of from the separate pack units such that they are available for successive inhalative administration administered successively inhalatively.

6. (Currently amended) ~~Medicament~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 2, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the active compound ciclesonide is present ~~to more than 95 % in the form of as~~ its R epimer in an amount greater than 95%.
7. (Currently amended) ~~Medicament~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 2, ~~or 3, characterized in that wherein~~ the active compound ciclesonide is present ~~to more than 95 % in the form of as~~ its R epimer in an amount greater than 95%, and the active compound R,R-formoterol is present as a hydrate, salt or hydrate of a salt thereof salt and/or hydrate of this active compound.
8. (Currently amended) ~~Medicament~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 7, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the active compound R,R-formoterol is present as a salt with an acid selected from the group consisting

of hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, phosphoric acid, nitric acid, sulphuric acid, acetic acid, citric acid, D-gluconic acid, benzoic acid, 2-(4-hydroxybenzoyl) benzoic acid, butyric acid, sulphosalicylic acid, maleic acid, lauric acid, malic acid, fumaric acid, succinic acid, oxalic acid, tartaric acid, embonic acid, stearic acid, toluenesulphonic, methanesulphonic acid and 1-hydroxy-2-naphthoic acid.

9. (Currently amended) ~~Medicament~~ The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 8, wherein the acid is fumaric acid or tartaric acid.
10. (Currently amended) ~~Use of~~ A method of treating an airway disease in a patient comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the active compound ciclesonide or a solvate, epimer, physiologically functional derivative or solvate of a physiologically functional derivative thereof in fixed or free combination with the active compound R,R-formoterol or a hydrate, solvate, salt, hydrate of a salt or solvate of a salt thereof in the treatment of airway diseases.
11. (Currently amended) ~~Use~~ The method according to Claim 10, ~~[[where]]~~ wherein the combination is a fixed combination and the active compounds are present in a form suitable for inhalative administration by means of a powder inhaler.

12. (Currently amended) ~~Use~~ The method according to Claim 10, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the active compound ciclesonide is present ~~to more than 95 % in the form of~~ as its R epimer in an amount greater than 95%.
13. (Currently amended) A method of treating an airway disease in a patient comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the pharmaceutical composition ~~Method of treatment of an airway disease in a patient comprising administration of a therapeutically effective amount of a medicament according to claim 2 or 3 to the patient in need thereof~~ by means of a dry powder inhaler.
14. (Currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 13, wherein the airway disease is ~~a allergen- and inflammatorily-induced bronchial disease such as~~ selected from the group consisting of bronchitis, obstructive bronchitis, COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), spastic bronchitis, allergic bronchitis, allergic asthma and bronchial asthma.
15. (Currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 13, wherein ciclesonide or a solvate, epimer, physiologically functional derivative or solvate of a physiologically functional derivative thereof is administered in a dose of 0.05 to 1 mg per day and R,R-formoterol or a hydrate, solvate, salt, hydrate of a salt or solvate of a salt thereof is administered in a dose of 10 to 50 µg per day.

16. (Currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 15, ~~which is a~~ wherein the dose is administered once daily ~~administration regimen~~.
17. (New) The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 3, wherein the active compound ciclesonide is present as its R epimer in an amount greater than 95%, and the active compound R,R-formoterol is present as a hydrate, salt or hydrate of a salt thereof.
18. (New) The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 17, wherein the active compound R,R-formoterol is present as a salt with an acid selected from the group consisting of hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, phosphoric acid, nitric acid, sulphuric acid, acetic acid, citric acid, D-gluconic acid, benzoic acid, 2-(4-hydroxybenzoyl) benzoic acid, butyric acid, sulphosalicylic acid, maleic acid, lauric acid, malic acid, fumaric acid, succinic acid, oxalic acid, tartaric acid, embonic acid, stearic acid, toluenesulphonic, methanesulphonic acid and 1-hydroxy-2-naphthoic acid.
19. (New) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 18, wherein the acid is fumaric acid or tartaric acid.
20. (New) A method of treating an airway disease in a patient comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the pharmaceutical composition according to claim 3 by means of a dry powder inhaler.

21. (New) The method according to claim 20, wherein the airway disease is selected from the group consisting of bronchitis, obstructive bronchitis, COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), spastic bronchitis, allergic bronchitis, allergic asthma and bronchial asthma.
22. (New) The method according to claim 21, wherein ciclesonide or a solvate, epimer, physiologically functional derivative or solvate of a physiologically functional derivative thereof is administered in a dose of 0.05 to 1 mg per day and R,R-formoterol or a hydrate, solvate, salt, hydrate of a salt or solvate of a salt thereof is administered in a dose of 10 to 50 µg per day.
23. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein the dose is administered once daily.